# Population Health Information Research Infrastructure (PHIRI) for COVID-19

DIPoH's practical use case National Node meeting from InfAct to PHIRI 11/03/2021





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#### **Overview**

- Timeline: 1 November 2020 3 years
- Financing: European Commission Horizon 2020 5M€
- Coverage: 41 partners in 30 countries based on InfAct consortia
  - 27 National Institute of Public Health or Research or Disease Control
  - 7 Universities

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- 7 Ministries of Health
- Structure: 9 workpackages and 3 transversal topics



Map of PHIRI Partners





# **PHIRI for Covid-19**

Population Health Information Research Infrastructure (PHIRI) aims to:

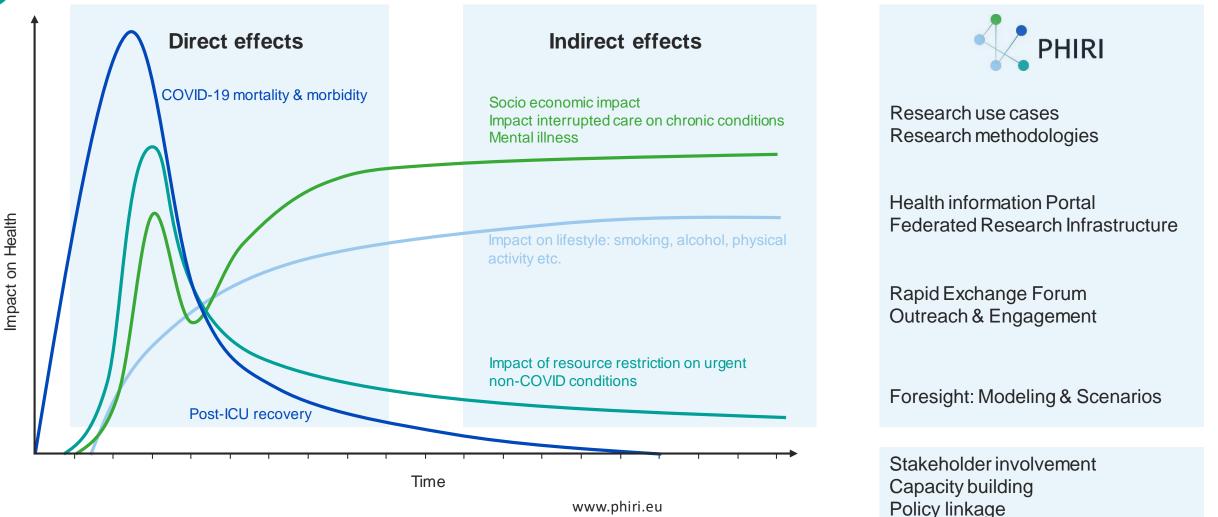
Identify, access, assess and reuse for research population health and non-health data in Member States and across Member States that can underpin public health policy decisions relevant to Covid-19

In close interaction with key stakeholders in the health information landscape, in particular with ECDC, EUROSTAT, JRC, OECD, and WHO



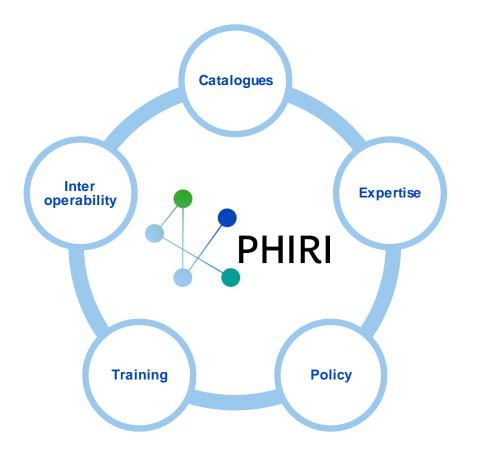


#### (In)direct impact of COVID-19 on population health



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# **PHIRI for COVID-19**



#### Objectives:

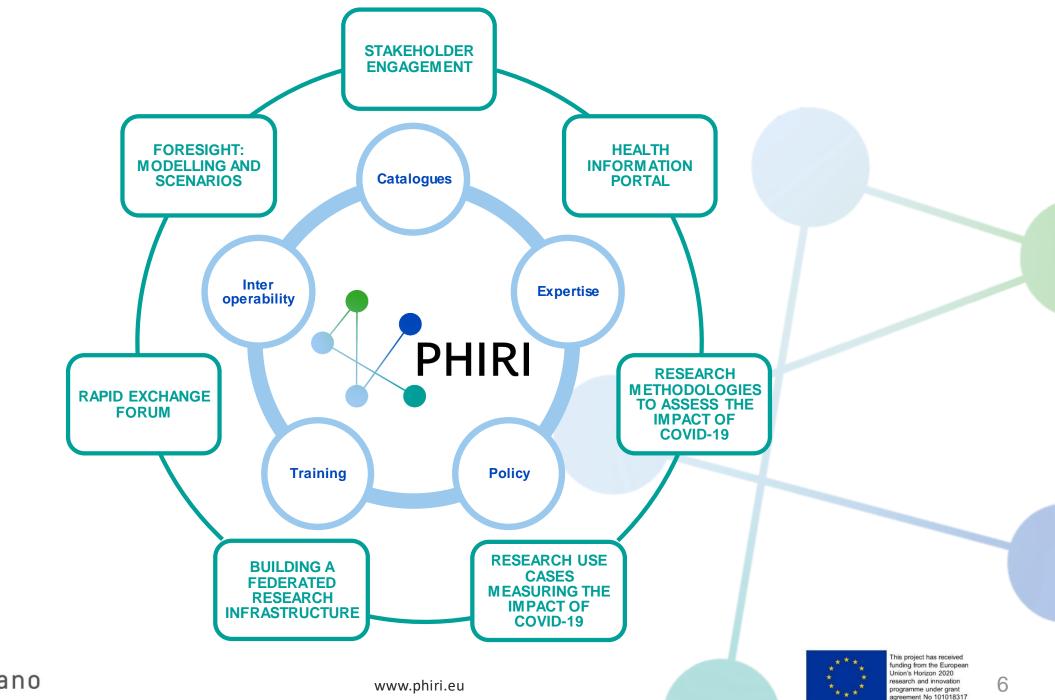
- 1. To provide a **Health Information portal** for COVID-19 with FAIR catalogues on health and healthcare data for structured information exchange across European countries. To link different data sources and to use Pan-European data in a GDPR compliant, federated way.
- 2. To provide structured exchange between countries on COVID-19 **best practices and expertise**. It allows researchers to provide relevant and evidence based information ready for use in research, and decisionmaking processes.
- 3. To promote **interoperability** and tackle health information inequalities. PHIRI supports researchers and public health bodies to research queries related to COVID-19 and provides **capacity building** for management of COVID-19 relevant population health and healthcare data.



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#### **PHIRI: practical use case of DIPoH**

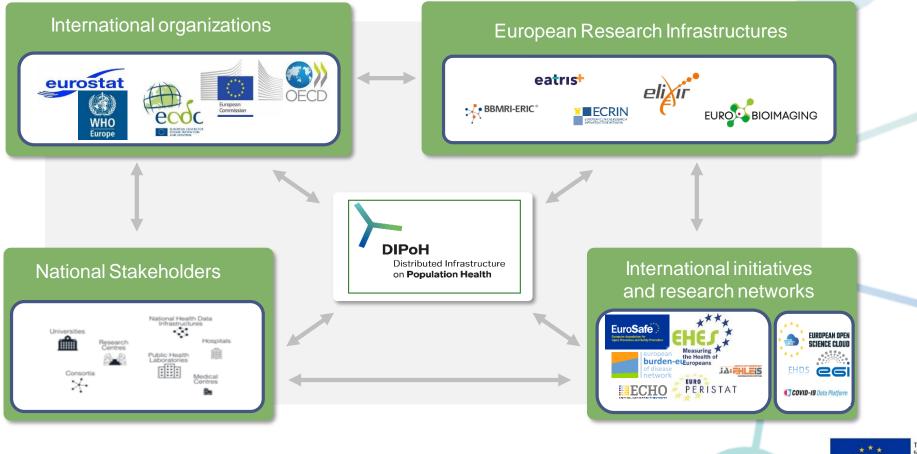
The Population Health Information Research Infrastructure (PHIRI) for COVID-19

- → Building transversal RI design as a base for DIPoH
- → Strengthening Nodes and Research Networks as elements of RI
- → Continuing work on the Health Information Portal





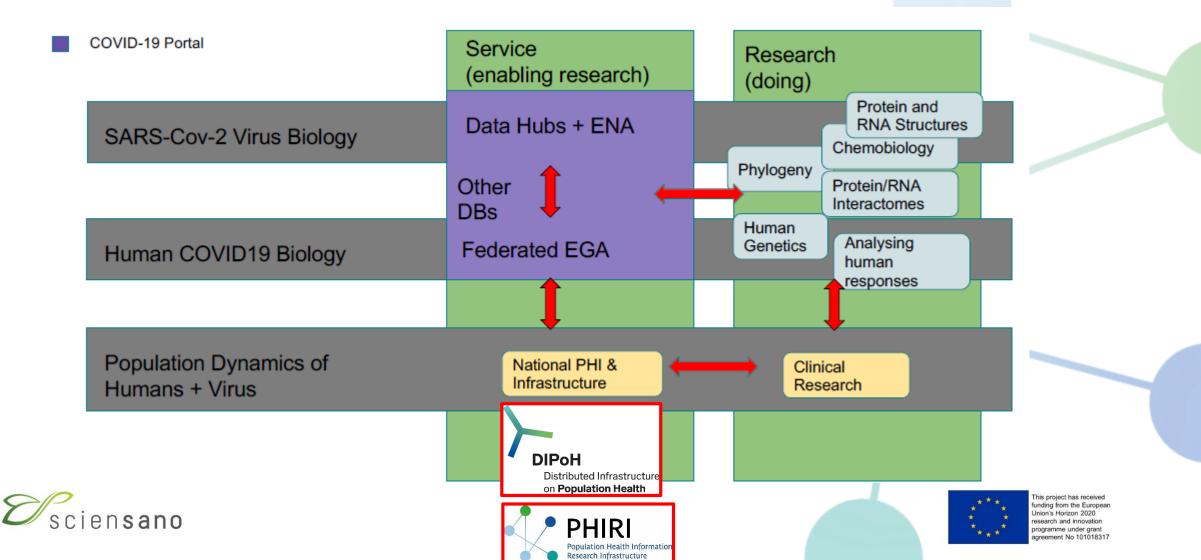
#### **European and global interactions**



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#### **Example: COVID 19 Portal**



#### Interactions



- HealthyCloud: Health Research and Innovation Cloud



- TEHDAS: European Health Data Space

# **European Health Data Space**

	Legislative proposal 2021	Quality of data		Infrastructure	Capacity building and digital skills
Better	Governance and	Electronic Health		MyHealth@EU	Digitalisation of
Healthcare	rules, interoperability, infrastructure	Record Exchange Format		CPMS (ERNs)	healthcare systems - RRF
	(primary and			1+mil genomes	Trainings of public
Better	secondary use of health data)			European Health	administration
Policy Making	Digital health services	FAIR-ification of health data		Data Space 2 infrastructure	Sharing best practices
Better Research and <sup>4</sup> Innovation	Regulatory framework for AI and liability			Pilot project 2021	Digital skills
		https://ec.europ	ba.(	(EMA, ECDC) .eu/health/ehealth/datasp	

# Data Governance Act-European Health Data Space

DGA Minimum rules for access to data applicable to all sectors

A national single information point (refers request to data holder or representative of data holder/data permit authority/art 7DGA)

National body(s) with support function

Notification to national authority(s) for providers of data sharing services

Register of national data altruism organization(s)

European Data Innovation Board (cross-sector interoperability)

# EHDS

Health specific

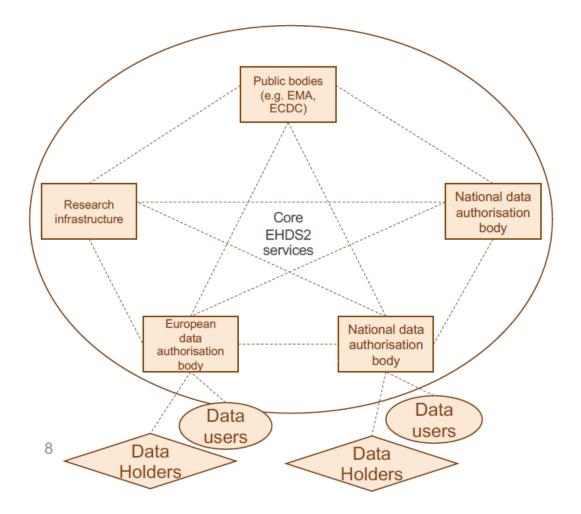
National data permit authorities/support function (art 7 bodies under DGA, with specific health criteria and conditions for access)

National sectoral bodies for interoperability (labeling/notification data holders, notification data sharing intermediaries)

National sectoral bodies on data altruism/data permit authorities (could manage the scheme or lay down additional requirements for health)

EU level body(ies) replacing eHealth Network - governing primary and secondary use of health data and represented in EDIB

# EHDS2: access to data for research and policy making (secondary use of health data)



EHDS2 NODEs are the entry point for stakeholders into the EHDS

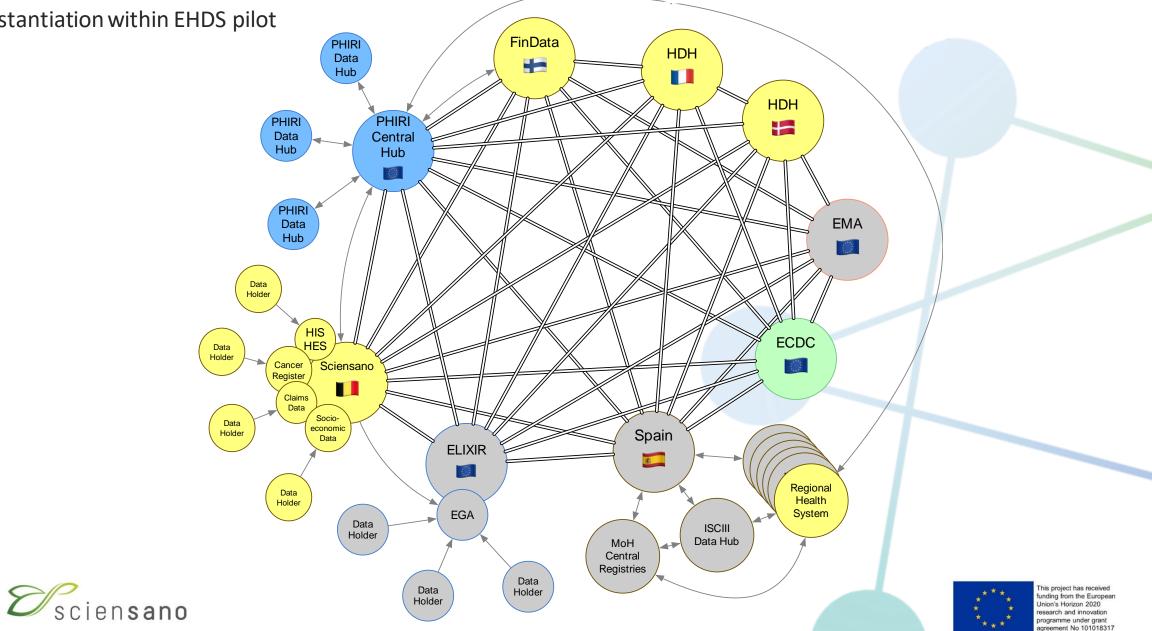
EHDS2 NODEs can be established by National or Trans-national stakeholders

EHDS2 NODEs follow common policies and interoperability specifications

DATA Holders make health data available for research and policy making

DATA Consumers use data for research or policy making

#### **PHIRI Use case** Instantiation within EHDS pilot



#### Calls: Horizon Europe - Work Programme 2021-2022 Research Infrastructures

1. FAIR and open data sharing in support to European preparedness for infectious diseases

- a) Researchers working on COVID-19 and other infectious diseases can store, share, access, analyse, process and cite research data and other research digital objects across disciplines and national borders and collaborate with global partners.
- b) Federation of viral and human infectious disease data from national centres enables pan-European and global sharing and combination of research and clinical data.
- c) Development of digital tools for outbreak preparedness, identifying new variants of concern and tracking of genomic variations of SARS-CoV-2.
- d) Linking of FAIR data and metadata on SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19 across research fields.
- e) Contributing to the Horizon Europe European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) Partnership





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2. Research Infrastructure services for rapid research responses to infectious disease epidemics

- 1. comprehensive catalogue of research infrastructures services relevant to tackle infectious diseases epidemics is available;
- 2. fast assembly and provision of innovative, customised and efficient research infrastructure services to support research linked to detecting, assessing and combatting newly emerging SARS-CoV-2 variants;
- 3. challenge driven integration of research infrastructures to better tackle infectious diseases and face epidemics, including for use by epidemics risk assessment and risk management bodies;
- 4. rapid response to epidemics outbreaks;
- 5. development of novel/adapted epidemics intervention tools and measures enabled by relevant Research Infrastructure (RI) services;
- 6. availability of research data emerging from access provision activities for reuse on common data platforms and registries, according to FAIR principles and compliant to legal provisions under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).







# PHIRI

Population Health Information Research Infrastructure

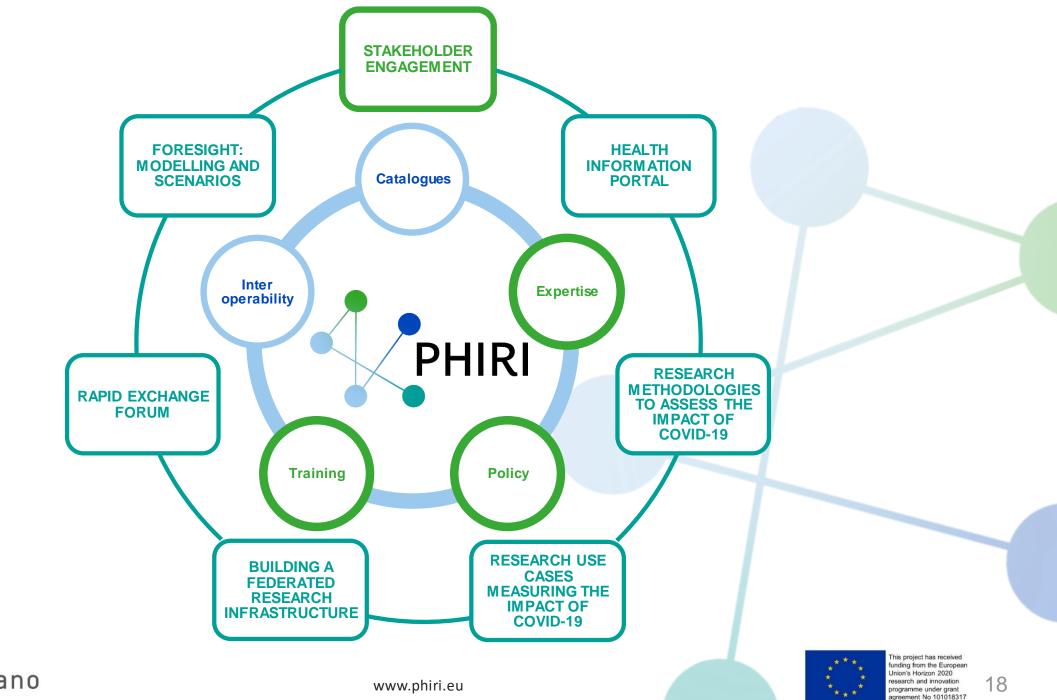
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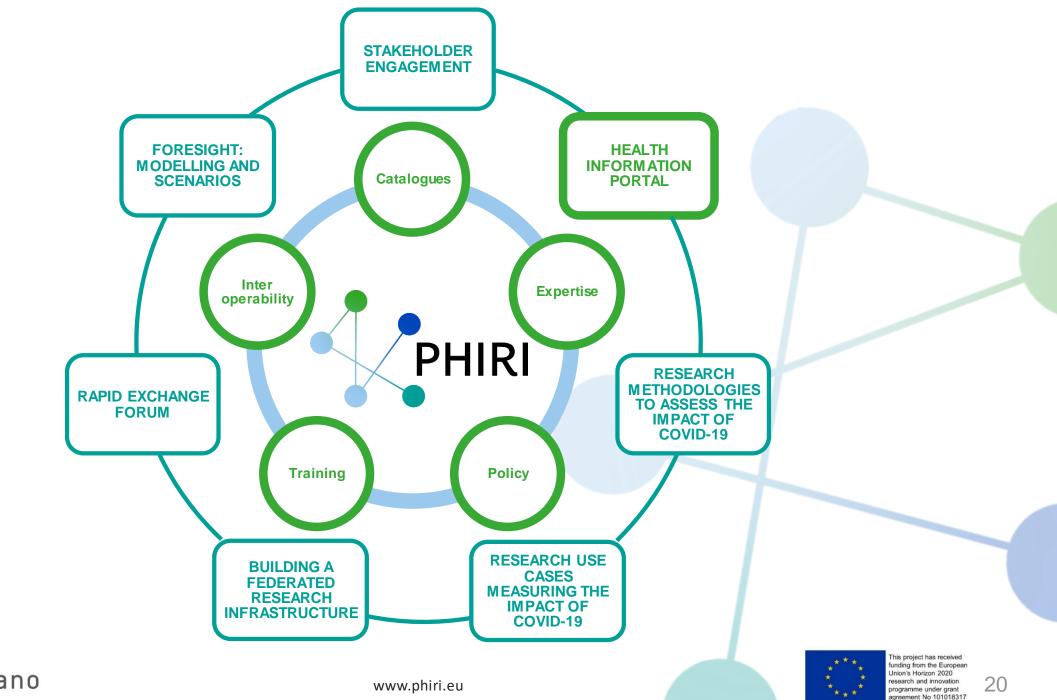
### **Engage and involve**

- Addressing the COVID-19 infodemic (training, FAQ section, key messages)
- Country visits to map state of play on monitoring the wider effects of COVID-19
- Stakeholder meetings: 3 main meetings and short ones every two months
  - Overview of relevant COVID-19 activities
- → Adapting InfAct's health information system assessments











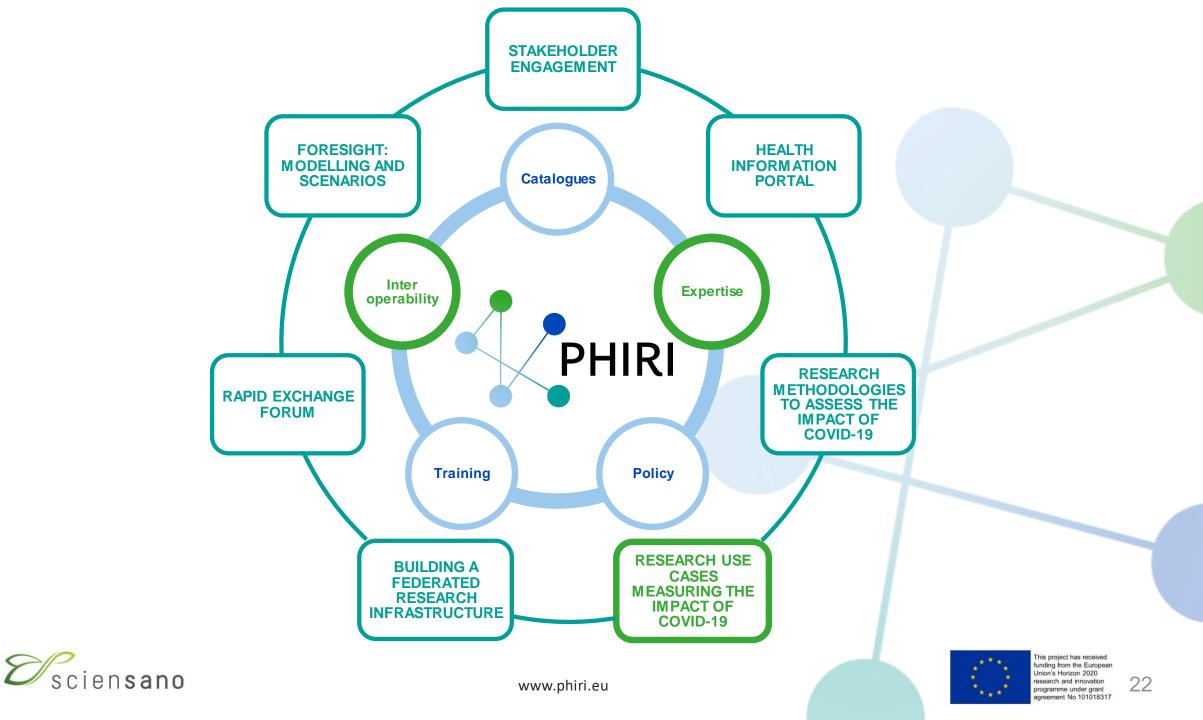
# **Health Information Portal**

- Health information portal
  - Catalogue of population health data sources in countries
  - Catalogue of COVID-19 population health studies
  - Catalogue of COVID-19 international guidelines, initiatives and projects
  - Catalogue of COVID-19 training material and courses
  - Practices on COVID-19 ethical and legal aspects
- Strengthening National Nodes setup in InfAct

# Extending work InfAct, base for DIPoH and transversal design







#### Four use cases

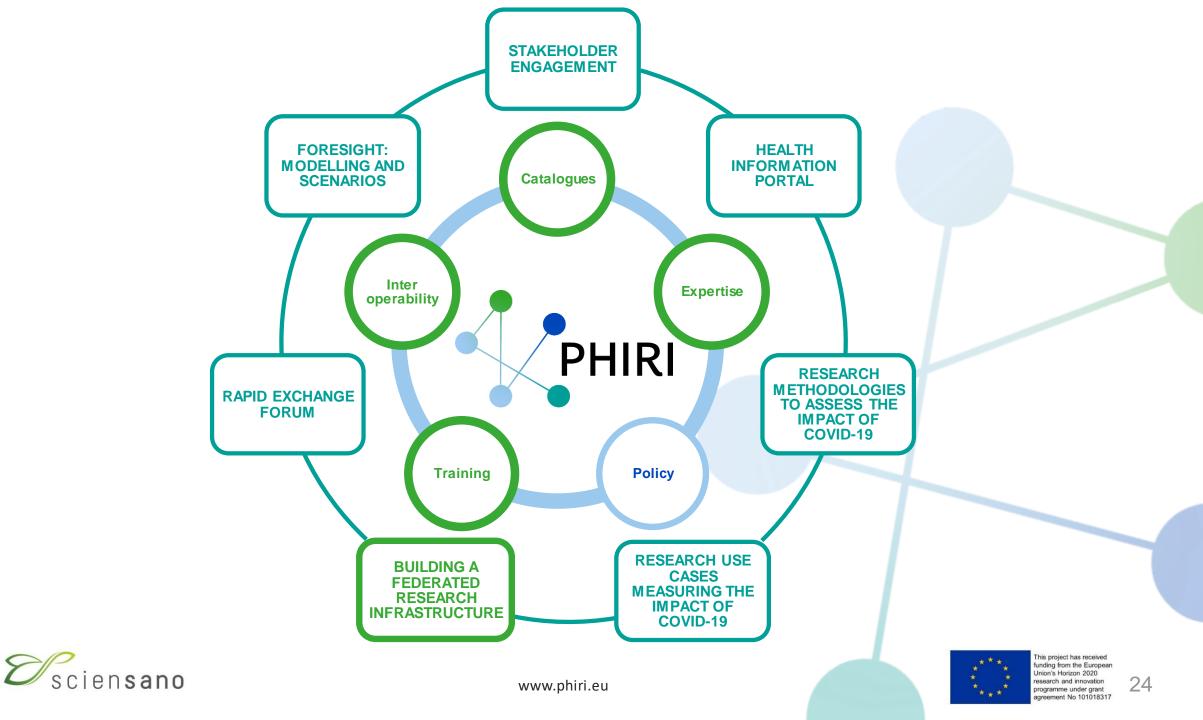
The use cases will demonstrate how a broad variety of secondary data (e.g. administrative and survey data) can be pooled and/or reused in a distributed way across Europe to produce actionable insights.

- 1. Direct and indirect determinants of COVID-19 infection and outcomes in vulnerable population groups with reference to inequalities
- 2. COVID-19 related delayed care in breast cancer patients
- 3. the impact of COVID-19 on perinatal health and perinatal health inequalities
- 4. COVID-19 related changes in population mental health

#### → Making use of InfAct's network and Research Networks







## **Federated research infrastructure**

Showing the potential of the infrastructure for a rapid cycle analysis using a demonstration pilot case

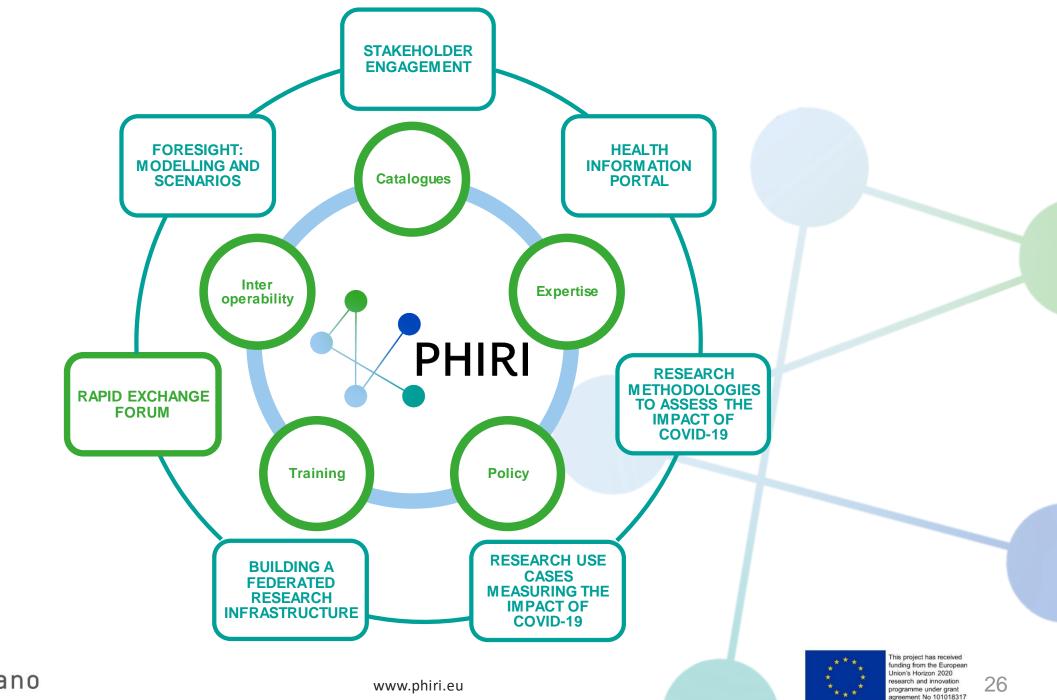
Pilot, developing an advanced version of the federated research infrastructure, including:

- a) The development of a common data model for a COVID-19 rapid response
- b) The design and deployment of the required data extraction, transformation and loading (ETL) processes and
- c) The implementation of the distributed analytical solutions, in particular the FAIR implementation of intermediate processes and final research outputs. This advanced version will mainly build on WP6 use cases
- ➔ Building on demonstrated feasibility in InfAct









# Rapid exchange forum

1. To provide rapid response to research and policy questions that are raised in countries

2. To promptly disseminate internationally agreed guidelines, standards, reports and initiatives

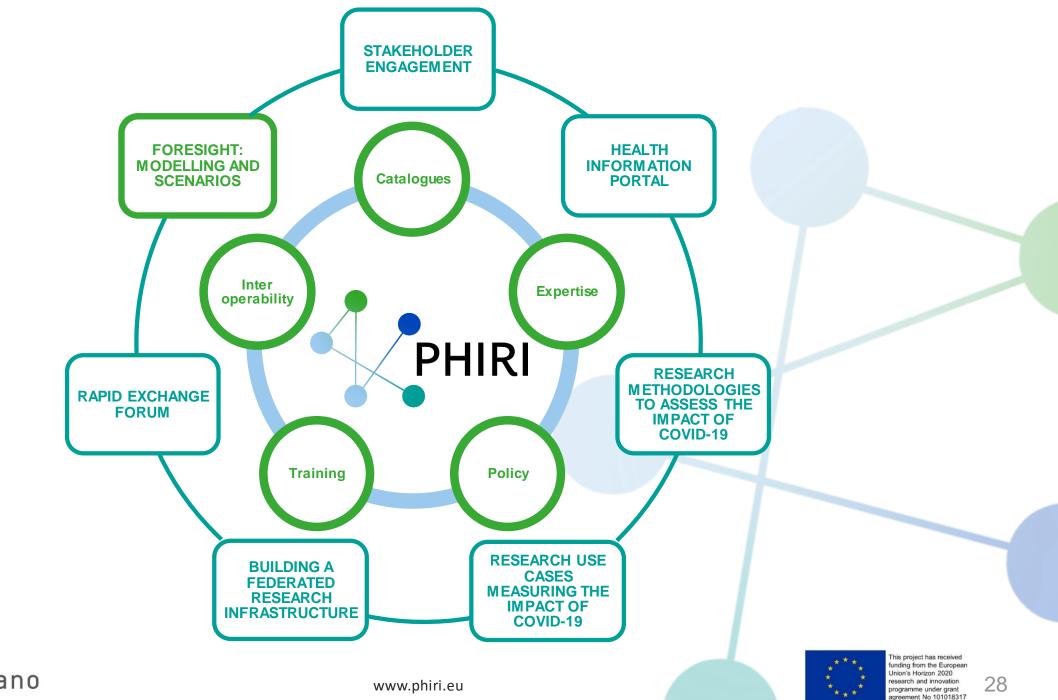
3. To exchange (best) practices among countries regarding COVID-19

4. To provide a link with policy: the shifting landscape of evidence for policy

#### → Kick started in InfAct

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### **Foresight: Modelling and Scenario**

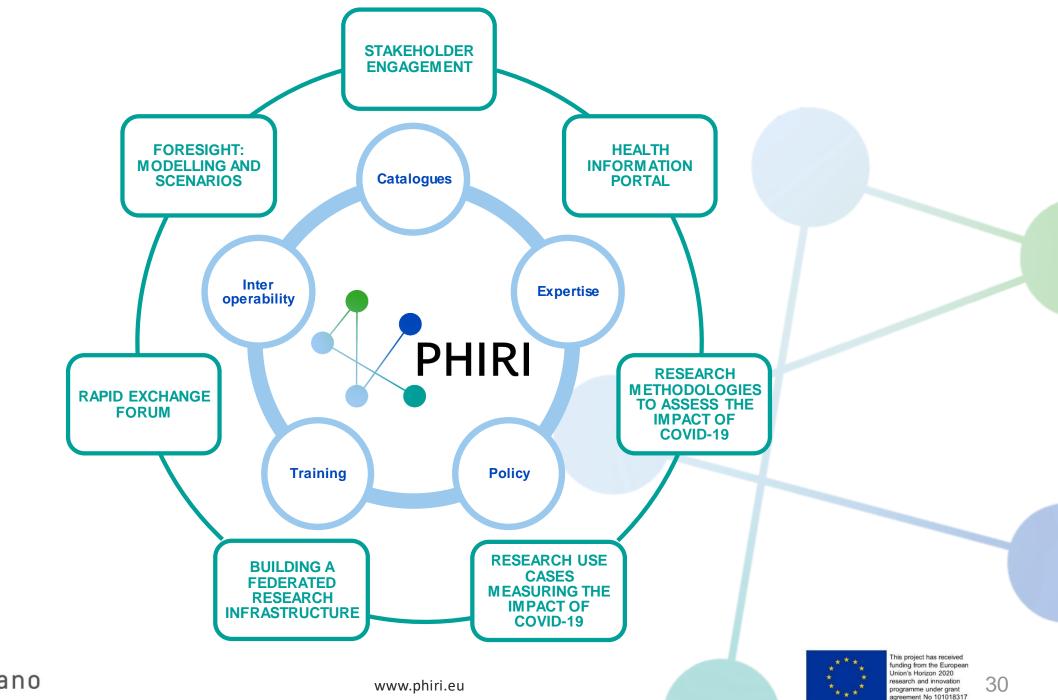
The overall aim of this work package is to gain insights in possible future health impacts of the coronavirus outbreak, by developing scenarios for MS and associated countries' national situation and draw lessons for the EU.

#### The objectives are:

- 1. To get an overview of how European countries have been using foresight, modelling and preparedness regarding COVID-19 (mainly indirect effects)
- 2. To develop and provide foresight capacity (levelling the knowledge needed for performing foresight, reducing information inequalities, strengthening European data uniformity)
- 3. To support evidence-informed policy decisions, by exploring direct and indirect effects of COVID-19 on population health, on short and long-term, using scenarios and a broad conceptual model of health and care







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